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Thanks

.. Jenny Clarke for assisting with transport to this week's senior debate at Bream Bay College.

People of the week

.. Andrew for exemplary manners and conduct at Science Fair this week.

.. Our senior debating teams for stellar performances in the last round of debates - year 8's through to the next stage.

.. Scott & Rueben who helped a distressed junior at the bus stop before school.

.. Scott Davies-Colley (former student) who received the overall prize at the Regional Science & Technology Fair this week at Forum North, of \$1000.00 to be spent at any tertiary institution. This was for consistent high performance over the years. Well done Scott!

.. Scott, James and Jonathan who have been selected for the U13 Boys Hatch Cup Team tournament to be played at North Harbour in the 2nd week of the school holidays.

.. Bradley, Mitchell, Shawn, Sean, Cody and Paul who at all times were well mannered and showed great sportsmanship during all their hockey games at the Northern Regional Tournament held in Rotorua last weekend.

Good luck

.. to the Matarau Intermediate Netball team who play in the finals this weekend.

Virtues Acknowledgement

Congratulations to the following children who were selected by their classes as "Shining Examples" of the Confidence. We hope your parents feel very proud of your efforts.

Rm 1	Connor	Rm 3	Jynaia
Rm 3	Thomas	Rm 4	Joseph
Rm 4	Hannah	Rm 5	Ethan
Rm 5	Grace	Rm 6	Jack
Rm 6	Johnathan	Rm 7	Ella
Rm 7	Olivia	Rm 8	Hazel
Rm 9	Hayoon	Rm 9	Kate
Rm 10	William	Rm 10	Euan
Rm 11	Jesse	Rm 12	Campbell
Rm 12	Mitchell		

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New Virtue - DILIGENCE

We are excited to announce that our virtue for the second half of this term is DILIGENCE. You all know the drill ..

- .. please read over the support material attached and discuss it with your child(ren)
- .. re-visit this material from time to time
- .. explain how diligence helped you to meet some challenge
- .. help your child(ren) find some opportunities to practise this virtue
- .. advise us of any successes so we can celebrate these through the newsletter.

Science Fair

Congratulations to the following children who received awards at the Science and Technology Fair this week:

	Technology	Research	Investigation
Andrew	1 st Yr 7		
Angus		1 st equal Yr 7	
Brady		1 st equal Yr 7	
James			Highly Commended Yr 7
Jesse		Highly Commended Yr 7	
Tyler		Highly Commended Yr 7	
Campbell			1 st equal Yr 8
William	Highly Commended Yr 8		
Tait			NZ Baking Industry Research Prize
Sophie			Public Health Award - Keeping People Healthy

Parent helpers desperately wanted ..

.. to help with the reinforcing of the spines of new readers (with book tape). Can be done at home. Please give Kevin a call if able to help. Not a lengthy job but a really important one if we are to extend the lives of these readers. Even if you can only give an hour or two this will make a difference.

Coming up

3 September	Interschool Cross Country Event
7-9 September	Innovation class camp
17 September	Rippa Rugby - Tournament 2
22 September	Senior Abseiling Day - A.H. Reed Park

Senior Abseiling Day .. 22.9

Consents were issued last week for return asap please. Thanks, again, to those able to provide transport. Questions please to Mr D.

Room 9 Camp (7-10 September)

Thanks for return of camp consents and for the various offers of assistance. Please arrange fee payment at your earliest opportunity if you have not already done so. **If wanting to discuss alternative payment arrangements please drop by to see Mr Trehella some time next week.**

Mrs Witte is more than happy to answer any questions you might have in the build up to camp.

Headlice Check

Pleased to announce all students clear at the headlice re-check this week. Let's stay on top of this problem with weekly checks. Many thanks.

Winter and influenza

We are well and truly in to the flu season now. It's often a tough call but, if your child complains of being unwell, please err on the side of caution and keep them at home. This will give us a better chance of minimising the impact of these viruses on the wider school. Thank you for your co-operation.

School Fees

Parents who opted for quarterly payment of their school fee this year will have received a request for payment some time last week. Please arrange to pay this at your nearest convenience or see Kevin if you would like to discuss alternative payment arrangements. Thanks for your support.

Healthier Option Stainless Steel Drink Bottles

A great fundraising opportunity for the school has arisen. For every 750ml stainless steel drink bottle purchased @ \$27.95 the school receives \$9. For every 500ml stainless steel drink bottle purchased @ \$23.95 the school receives \$8.

For those concerned about their health and our planet, the attached brochure will explain the many benefits. All orders to be returned to the school office by 3 September 2010. Note these have a lifetime guarantee and we may even engrave them for you. A really good investment.

Sample bottle available for viewing at the office.

Wanted - Helpers

This year's Trivia Night is to be held on 30th October. We are organising sponsorship/prizes for this big fundraiser and any assistance would be gratefully accepted. If you are in a position to help please contact Cherrie Parker on 437 1327.

Calf Club Day - 22nd October 2009

You need to start thinking now if your child/ren want to rear calves and lambs. Calves must be born after 1st July 2008. Calves are judged on rearing and leading. Lambs are judged on rearing, leading & calling. For those who bring pets, a booklet will be handed out prior to the September school holidays & needs to be completed by 15 October. No dogs are allowed to be entered. If you have any queries about calves please call Steve Martin on 433 5061, or about lambs to Alison Faithfull on 433 5557. There will be further updates closer to the end of term. To assist you with selection, care and training of your pet, please check out the following website www.calfclub.co.nz

Home Gardens

.. thanks to those who have returned consents .. still not too late .. drop by with any questions.

Out of zone enrolments

For more information on the balloting process, and for a zone description, please visit our website www.matarau.school.nz. Application forms available from the school office.

Piano Lessons - Children 8 years and up (7 year olds in exceptional circumstances)

Has your child ever expressed interest in learning to play the piano? Our current piano teacher currently has available places this year, and is keen to receive expressions of interest for 2011. Lessons can be preparation for formal piano exams, or just an opportunity to learn some popular pieces. Our piano teacher is very experienced and comes highly recommended. Lessons are weekly of a half hour duration and cost \$20 per lesson. If interested please contact Shirley on 4381089.

Private Tutoring

.. in Mathematics and English with a primary and secondary experienced teacher. If interested phone Anita Magee on 4380457.

Community Notices

For Rent - Executive home, 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, study, double garage, Matarau Rd. Available now \$400 per wk (neg to right tenant) Phone Laurette 0274335740.

For Sale - Lambs \$30 each. Phone Murray or Sue Ph 4322475.

Parent Inc Hot Tips Seminar - Tweens & Teenagers, Wed 15th Sept, Events Centre, \$15 per person or \$25 per couple. For more info contact Michaela on 430 4280 or flyers available at the office.

Taekwon-Do Classes - Tuesday and Thursday nights, Ruatangata Hall. All ages 6.00pm - 8.00pm. New classes for 5yr to 8yr and 9yr to 13yr. Start date pending interest. Phone Karl or Catherine on 4335618

School Production

Staff and students have been working incredibly hard to ensure that this year's school production will be one of our best ever. We hope that you will spread the word among neighbours, friends and extended family that performances will be held as follows .. Monday 13 September 7:00 PM, Tuesday 14 September 1:00 to 2:30 PM and that evening 7:00 PM and Wednesday 15 September 1:00 to 2:30 PM.

Tickets are now on sale from the office. A second ticket order form is issued with this newsletter.

Final thought

Sign of getting older (sent to us this week) "Your children are becoming like you, and you don't like them."

Regards
Kevin Trehwella
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